

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered Species; Marine Mammals; Issuance of Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of issuance of permits.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have issued permits to conduct certain activities with endangered species, marine mammals, or both. We issue these permits under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) and Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA).

ADDRESSES: Information about the applications for the permits listed in this notice is available online at https://www.regulations.gov. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for details.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Brenda Tapia, by phone at 703-358-2185 or via email at *DMAFR@fws.gov*. Individuals in the United States who are deaf, deafblind, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability may dial 711 (TTY, TDD, or TeleBraille) to access telecommunications relay services. Individuals outside the United States should use the relay services offered within their country to make international calls to the point-of-contact in the United States.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), have issued permits to conduct certain activities with endangered and threatened species in response to permit applications that we received under the authority of section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*) and the Marine Mammal Protection Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*).

After considering the information submitted with each permit application and the

public comments received, we issued the requested permits subject to certain conditions set forth in each permit. For each application for an endangered species, we found that (1) the application was filed in good faith, (2) the granted permit would not operate to the disadvantage of the endangered species, and (3) the granted permit would be consistent with the purposes and policy set forth in section 2 of the ESA.

Availability of Documents

The permittees' original permit application materials, along with public comments we received during public comment periods for the applications, are available for review. To locate the application materials and received comments, go to https://www.regulations.gov and search for the appropriate permit number (e.g., 12345C) provided in the following table:

Endangered Species

ePermit No.	Applicant	Permit issuance
		date
PER0048148	Clinton J. Grube	January 18, 2023
PER0045915	Jon M. Jacobs	January 19, 2023
PER0046159	University of North Florida	January 19, 2023
PER0055329	William B. Taylor, Jr.	January 30, 2023
PER0056018	Benjamin Caleb Wright	January 30, 2023
PER0072655	Brock David Huggins	February 07, 2023
PER0072656	Joseph Michael Dianda	February 07, 2023
PER0072721	Julie Dianda	February 07, 2023
PER0076785	Michael Dianda	February 07, 2023
70482C	Geoffrey A. Corn	February 10, 2023
PER0042576	Cornell University Animal Health Diagnostic Center	February 15, 2023

Marine Mammals

ePermit No.	Applicant	Permit issuance date
PER0037613	Texas State Aquarium	February 27, 2023

Authorities

We issue this notice under the authority of the Endangered Species Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and the Marine Mammal Protection Act, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1361 *et seq.*), and their implementing regulations.

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